

In the Claims

Please rewrite claims 29 and 33 to read as follows.

29. (Amended) A method of assembling a motor shaft with a motor component, the method comprising the steps of:

providing a motor shaft having a first surface geometry comprising a non-circular cross section;

installing a fan impeller onto the motor shaft;

providing a shaft extension having a first end having a second surface geometry comprising a non-circular cross section adapted to mate with the first surface geometry of the motor shaft;

interengaging the first surface geometry of the motor shaft with the second surface geometry of the shaft extension so that the shaft extension rotates with the motor shaft; and

installing a second end of the shaft extension into a lower assembly.

33. (Amended) The method of claim 29, further comprising a step of tightening a retainer onto the motor shaft and into abutment with the fan impeller.